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comparison, to lose all they had in that manner, onely to secure others pleasures."

The census of 1624-5 (*Hotten*) states that there were then living at Pace's Paines (in the present county of Surry) John Proctor, who had come in the *Scaventure* in 1607, and Allis, his wife, who came in the *George* in 1621.

It is possible that Proctor's Creek, in the county of Chesterfield, marks the place of John Proctor's early grant in the corporation of Henrico, and that a family of Proctor, once resident in Surry, descended from him.]

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### Historical and Geneological Notes and Queries.

NEWTON.—Should like to hear from some of the descendants of Major Wm. Newton, of Stafford (will dated June 18th, 1784, codicil October 8th, 1788, probated October 14th, 1789) in the following lines:

"Son-in-law, Capt. Thos. Bronaugh and wife Elizabeth."

"Son-in-law, Thomas Berry and wife Margaret, gr. children Wm. Newton Berry and Betsey."

"Son-in-law, Capt. Nathaniel Fox, and wife Sarah, gr. daughter, Phil. Claiborne Fox."

"Son Isaac Newton," who had the family Bible.

"My brother, Vincent Cox."

Address,

MRS. J. F. MAYNARD,  
352 Genesee Street, Utica, N. Y.

BROOKE.—Information is requested from any one who is able to furnish it upon any one or all of the following points, viz:

(1) The maiden surname of the wife of Robert Brooke, Jr., "Knight of the Golden Horseshoe." We know her Christian name was Phoebe.

(2) Concerning the present whereabouts of any of the lineal descendants of Humphrey Booth Brooke, a son of Robert Brooke III, who was the oldest son of Robert Brooke, Jr., "Knight of the Golden Horseshoe." The said Humphrey Booth Brooke was a Justice of the Peace in Essex about 1770 (*Old Churches and Families of Virginia*, Vol. I, pp. 404-5), was a surveyor by profession, and deeds which he executed show that his wife's Christian name was Sally but do not show what was her maiden surname. In about 1790 he removed with his whole family from Essex and the present writer has never been able to hear anything of his descendants.

(3) Information in regard to the Christian and maiden surname of the wife of Dr. Lawrence Brooke, who was an officer in the American Navy during the Revolution and subsequently. The Taliaferro genealogy says that Dr. Lawrence Taliaferro Brooke's daughter, Sarah L., became the second wife of John Wishart Taliaferro and had ten children.

(4) The late General Dabney H. Maury, in a letter to the present writer, dated "Washington, D. C., Oct. 21, 1893" says, "The only sister of Judge Brooke was Betty Brooke who married Fontaine Maury. My mother, Eliza Maury, and Richard Brooke Maury were the only surviving children. Fontaine Maury built the house in Fredericksburg where Lawrence Brooke died and my mother was born." It would be interesting to identify that house if it could now be done.

St.G. T. B.

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## GENEALOGY.

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### BRUCE FAMILY.

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Charles<sup>4</sup> Bruce, the youngest son of James<sup>3</sup> and Elvira (Cabell) Bruce, was born August 17, 1826, at Woodburn, Halifax county, Va. He was educated first at private schools, and afterwards graduated from both Chapel Hill and Harvard Colleges. He then spent a winter in Cuba, and later travelled in Europe. On his return he was married to Sarah Seddon, youngest sister of his brother-in-law, Hon. James A. Seddon, a lady distinguished for beauty, intelligence and force of character. They took up their residence at "Staunton Hill," in Charlotte county, Va., which had been built while Mr. Bruce was abroad. During eight years Mr. Bruce was a member of the Virginia Senate, where he soon won a position of distinction and influence. At one election in his county not a single vote was cast against him. When the war broke out, he equipped the "Staunton Hill Artillery Company," at his own expense, and, as its captain, saw active service in the South. After the war, Mr. Bruce declined all political offices, although repeatedly urged to become a candidate for Congress, and devoted himself to the interests of his large landed estate, which, under his management, became one of the model plantations of the State. He showed an active interest in everything that would advance the welfare of the community. He was an earnest advocate of the payment of the State debt in full, and a speech delivered by him at Charlotte Courthouse on that subject